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Applicant: HIROSHI SAKAMOTO ET AL.

Serial No.: 09/653,169 Group Art Unit: 3618

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Title: POWER TRANSMISSION APPARATUS OF MOTOR VEHICLES

RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

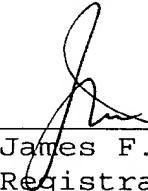
Responsive to the Office Action dated July 30, 2001, applicants herewith provisionally elect with traverse the species of Figs. 1-4 and 7 (species "A") upon which at least Claims 1-8 are deemed readable.

An early and favorable action upon the provisionally elected claims is earnestly solicited.

If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response, and please charge any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381AS/49210).

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